

Agrium is pleased to provide you with this guide to creating your own Shelter-in-Place starter kit.

We suggest you include a 55 meter (60 yard) roll of duct tape for sealing the doors and windows of your pre-selected sheltering room along with plastic sheeting to cover the windows, vents and other miscellaneous openings to the outside.

#### **IMPORTANT!**

It is important that you prepare your kit before it's needed. Take a little time now to:

Pre-cut and label the plastic sheeting for the windows and vents.

Outfit the kit to a "ready" condition.

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**Kit** 

We suggest you put the following items along with the duct tape and plastic sheeting in a storage bin or cardboard box in a pre-selected room in your house that can be easily sealed.



#### A small, reliable, battery powered radio with a spare battery

**Tip:** If the radio battery were to go dead during the emergency you may be able to use the one from the smoke detector located in your sheltering room. Remember to put the smoke detector battery back where it belongs after the emergency is over.



#### A few non-perishable food items - snack bars, candy, etc.

**Tip:** A Shelter-in-Place emergency will probably last only a few hours at most so enough food for a week is not necessary.



#### A few gallons of fresh water and some cups

**Tip:** The containers you chose for the water may not fit in the kit but should be stored in the pre-selected room.



#### A flashlight with some extra batteries



#### A towel for sealing the bottom of the door

**Tip:** If your pre-selected room does not have an adjoining bathroom, place a towel, large enough for the bottom of the door, in the kit. Make sure you have enough water for drinking and for wetting the towel.



We live with the reality of other types of natural disasters. like earthquakes and tornadoes. These types of emergencies may last many hours or even days. Preparing your Shelter-in-Place kit or expanding the kit to be a general emergency supply kit may prove to be a smart thing to do.

Extended emergency preparedness may require, but not be limited to:

- more food and water
- portable heat sources for cooking with safe fuel supply
- cooking utensils
- blankets or sleeping bags
- extra clothes
- light source (e.g. storm lamps, lantern, etc.)
- items for personal hygiene
- First Aid kit

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A game, some toys or a colouring book with crayons for your children

Tip: Sheltering-in-Place will be easier for everyone with a diversion to help pass the time.



#### Infant supplies

Tip: If you have a baby, you might consider including a few spare diapers, along with a can of formula and a bottle or some baby food.



#### **Electrical outlets**

Tip: If any of the walls of your pre-selected room are exterior walls, you may want to cover the electrical outlets in those walls with 2 short strips of duct tape. If you must use the covered outlets, just push the plug through the tape.

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